UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLN. NO.: 10/567,735 CONFIRMATION NO.: 5354

APPLICANT: Ebroul Izquierdo TC/ART UNIT: 2624

FILED: July 26, 2006 EXAMINER:

TITLE: Method and Apparatus for Fragile Watermarking

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed January 11, 2008 concerning the above-identified application and is timely filed within the three month shortened statutory period for a response. This reply is provided in response to the Office Action in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.111. Applicant submits the following amendment and remarks and respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejections made in the Office Action and to allow the claims to issue.

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.